

Class 6 Curricular Letter



Spring 1

Dear Parents,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all very Happy New Year. I hope you all managed to enjoy the festivities whilst also having some time for rest and relaxation over the festive period.

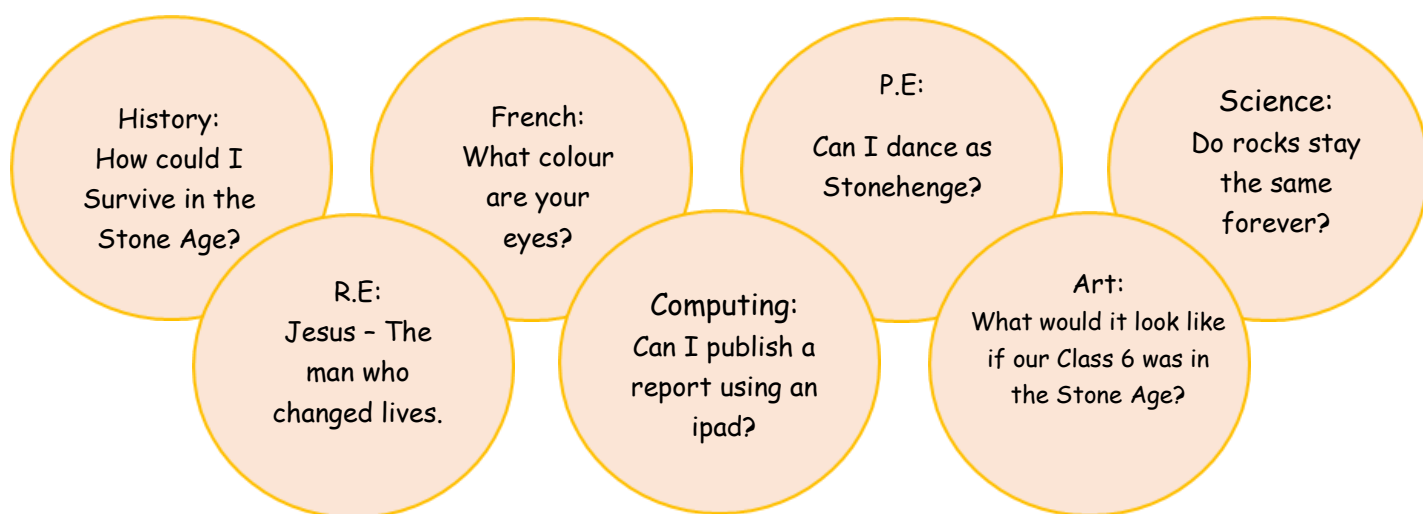
The children have already settled back into school well for the Spring Term and show a great enthusiasm for their learning. I am so excited about what we have planned for this half and I am sure the children are going to enjoy the topics too.

Our topic this half term is "How could I survive in the Stone Age?"

We are going to be thinking a lot about The Stone Age across our curriculum, including our work in Literacy, History, Science, Art and PE. We are delighted to have a visiting Dance Teacher, Miss Fothergill, for our PE lessons. She will use her expertise in teaching our 'Rock and Roll' dance unit.

The range of homework brought in at the end of the Autumn Term was impressive and really showed the effort and creativity the children put into this work. I want to thank you again for all your continuing support with all the work the children do at home, including their work on reading and learning their spelling and times tables .

The Half Term Ahead:



Days to Remember:

Wednesday

Mrs Turner will be teaching Class 6 each afternoon.

PE - Kits to be worn.

Friday

Times Tables Quiz

New Spellings given out and Spelling test.

As our Year 3 children are no longer provided with fruit in school, they are welcome to bring their own fruit for break time.



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Literacy

Our first English unit is exploring the text “Stig of the Dump”. We will look at the characters and settings with a view to creating our own version of the opening chapter in our independent writing. We will learn to identify subordinate clauses within complex sentences, particularly when they appear first. We will also be exploring direct speech and how this is written and used correctly within a text. You could help at home by talking about any direct speech you see in books.

We will also work on non-chronological reports, based on the work we have been doing in History on the Stone Age. We will be exploring a range of non-fiction texts looking at the different language structures used and how information can be displayed in different ways.

Reading

Your child will take part in Guided Reading lessons in class. In this lesson they will respond to a range of activities from a chosen text. This half term we are going to be reading James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl.

Your child will change their reading book when they need to. They have the opportunity to change their book every morning. It is your child’s responsibility to change their book, however if you feel this is not being done please get in touch.

Please encourage your child to read to you every night at home and fill in their Reading Diary.

HOMEWORK DUE IN: Monday 6th February 2023

Many thanks,
Mrs Andrea Miller
Class 6 Teacher

Maths

We will start this half term continuing to explore multiplication and division.

We will also be looking at measurements of Length, Mass and Volume throughout this half term. We will be exploring what we can use to help us measure each of these, how to compare them and solve problems using different units of measure. The children will also continue to read, discuss, and work through a range of word problems throughout their Maths- No problem! Workbook.

Please assist your child at home with their rapid recall of times tables. The children will all have access to Times Tables Rockstars which will help in this area. *The children would particularly benefit from learning their 2,3,4,5,8 and 10 times tables.*

Times Tables and Spellings

Spellings will be sent home each Friday for a test the following week. Please practise these at home as much as possible. Spellings will be set on Spelling Shed each week, the children love this website!

In addition to spellings each week, we will also be practising times tables on a weekly basis. Initially, all children will start on their 2 times tables, moving on once they are secure to 5s, 10s, 3s, 4s and 8s.

Homework

The Homework Menu has a variety of activities and tasks to work on. We would also like you to focus on practising your child’s spellings and times tables and also reading every day. There will also be a weekly Maths task set on MyMaths. We would like you to complete the RE task over the half term and as many of the **optional** activities as you wish.